



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions 2014 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 15, 2014
Schedule 6**

PLEASE NOTE: January 21 – Bill request deadline.
January 31 – Bill introduction deadline.
All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 3.
As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 15, 2014

SB 170 The President (By Request – Administration)

BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2015)

Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

Department of Legislative Services

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SB 171 The President (By Request – Administration)

CREATION OF STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2014, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, AND 2013

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,166,065,000, the proceeds to be used for specified necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring specified real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to specified subdivisions and other organizations for specified development and improvement purposes, subject to specified requirements; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

Various Chapters of Various Years, Various Sections - amended and repealed
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 172 The President (By Request – Administration)

BUDGET RECONCILIATION AND FINANCING ACT OF 2014

Authorizing specified funds to be used for specified purposes; authorizing or altering the distribution of specified revenue; altering or repealing specified required appropriations; altering the rate of specified commissions; providing for the transfer of specified funds; altering the rate of a specified assessment; requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to establish a Community Partnership Assistance Program; setting limits in increases in payments to specified providers for a specified fiscal year; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

CA, CJ, EC, ED, SG, SP, TG, TP, and HG, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 173 Senator Astle, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR REQUIREMENT FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDERS – EXCEPTION

Providing that the prohibition against operating or riding on a motorcycle without specified protective headgear does not apply to an individual at least 21 years old who carries at least \$10,000 in health insurance coverage for injuries that may be incurred in a motorcycle accident; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

TR, § 21-1306 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 174 Senator Brochin**REAL PROPERTY – RIGHT TO REDEMPTION OF LEASED PREMISES
– FORMS OF PAYMENT**

Authorizing a landlord or mobile home park owner to require a tenant or mobile home park resident to tender specified forms of payment in order to exercise the tenant's or resident's right to redemption of leased premises under specified circumstances; prohibiting a landlord or mobile home park owner from prohibiting cash payment if specified notice requirements are not met; making stylistic and conforming changes; and making the Act effective on January 1, 2015.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015

RP, §§ 8-401(e) and 8A-1701(e) and PLL of Baltimore City, Art. 4, § 9-5(b)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 175 Senator Gladden**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – ORIANDA
MANSION PRESERVATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Baltimore Chesapeake Bay Outward Bound Center, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Orianda Mansion, located in Baltimore City; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 176 Senator Glassman**INCOME TAX CREDIT – AGRICULTURAL LAND – DIMINUTION IN
VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY**

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for the diminution in value of specified agricultural land resulting from enactment of the Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012 and adoption of specified regulations related to nutrient management; providing for the determination of the amount of the credit; requiring an owner of agricultural land to provide specified information with the owner's tax return in order to claim the credit; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, § 10-736 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 177 Senator Gladden**CRIMES – ELDER ABUSE OR NEGLECT – INCREASED PENALTIES**

Increasing the penalties for the crime of causing abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult in the first or second degree.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CR, §§ 3-604(c) and 3-605(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 178 Senator Gladden**STATE GOVERNMENT – HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES – QUALIFICATIONS**

Requiring that a head of a principal department or of an independent agency in the State must be a resident of the State; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, § 8-505 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 179 Senator Gladden**PROPERTY TAX – NOTICE OF TAX BILL ADDRESS CHANGE – PROHIBITION OF SALE**

Authorizing an owner of real property to request that real property tax notices be sent to a specified address; requiring a taxing authority to send a specified notice to an owner of real property after a specified request has been made; requiring the notice to the owner of real property to contain specified information; requiring a taxing authority to send real property tax notices in accordance with a specified request if no objections are raised by the owner of the real property; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015

TP, §§ 6-205 and 14-808(e) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 180 Senator Gladden**STATE PERSONNEL – CHILD DAY CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to establish by regulation a program that provides financial assistance to specified State employees for child day care services; providing that the program shall apply only to child day care services provided to children under the age of 4 years; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

SP, § 10-405 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 181 Senator Gladden**RESIDENTIAL LEASES – JUST-CAUSE EVICTION**

Prohibiting a landlord from evicting a tenant in the absence of just cause; and specifying if just cause exists for purposes of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

RP, § 8-217 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 182 Senator Gladden**CRIMES – ELDER ABUSE OR NEGLECT – RESTRICTIONS ON PRETRIAL RELEASE**

Prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant charged with causing abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult in the first or second degree; providing that a judge may authorize the pretrial release of the defendant on specified conditions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CP, § 5-202(h) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 183 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**ANNUAL CURATIVE BILL**

Generally curing previous Acts of the General Assembly with possible title defects.

EMERGENCY BILL

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 184 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**ANNUAL CORRECTIVE BILL**

Correcting specified errors and omissions in the Annotated Code and in specified uncodified laws; clarifying language; correcting specified obsolete references; reorganizing specified sections of the Annotated Code; ratifying specified corrections made by the publishers of the Annotated Code; providing that the Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; providing for the correction of specified errors and obsolete provisions by the publishers of the Annotated Code; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

Various Sections of Various Articles - amended, added, and repealed

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 185 Senator Astle**TRANSPORTATION – CAPITAL PROJECTS – LIFE–CYCLE COST ANALYSIS**

Requiring the Department of Transportation to adopt regulations to establish a methodology for applying life–cycle cost analysis to the evaluation of specified pavement projects; requiring that the methodology address specified matters; requiring the Department to utilize the results of the life–cycle cost analysis for specified projects; defining a term; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

TR, § 2-103.1(c) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 186 Senator Feldman, et al**CLEAN ENERGY LOAN PROGRAMS – PRIVATE LENDERS – COLLECTION OF LOAN PAYMENTS**

Authorizing a private lender to provide capital for a commercial loan provided under a local clean energy loan program; providing that, with the consent of any holder of a mortgage or deed of trust on the property, a county or municipality may collect loan payments owed on a commercial loan to a private lender or to a county or municipality through a surcharge on a property owner's property tax bill; providing that an unpaid surcharge constitutes a lien against the property on which it is imposed under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

LG, §§ 1-1101, 1-1103, and 1-1105 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 187 Senator Feldman, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – POTOMAC COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Potomac Community Recreation Center, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Potomac Community Recreation Center, located in Montgomery County; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 188 Senator Brochin, et al**STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT – EXCEPTION**

Providing that specified members of the Judges' Retirement System may receive additional service credit for military service if the member has a specified amount of service credit earned through employment by a specified date, is unable to accumulate 10 years of service credit due to mandatory retirement at age 70, becomes a retiree due to mandatory retirement, and has a specified amount of service credit at the time of retirement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 189 Senator Reilly**PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION FOR BLIND INDIVIDUALS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES**

Increasing the amount of a property tax exemption for dwelling houses owned by specified blind individuals or surviving spouses of blind individuals from \$15,000 of the assessed value of the dwelling to \$30,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

TP, § 7-207 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 190 Senator Reilly**ELECTIONS – OFFENSES RELATING TO VOTING – PENALTIES**

Altering the penalties for offenses relating to voting.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

EL, § 16-201 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 191 Senator Reilly**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – DEER HUNTING – SUNDAYS**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer on a Sunday on private property in Anne Arundel County from the first Sunday in October through the second Sunday in January of the following year, inclusive, subject to specified provisions of law.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

NR, § 10-410(a) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 192 Senator Reilly**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – TURKEY HUNTING – FALL SEASON**

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish by regulation a fall turkey season for the portion of Anne Arundel County lying south of MD Route 214; and requiring the dates and bag limits for the fall turkey season established under the Act to be consistent with the dates and bag limits established for the fall turkey season in Allegany County, Garrett County, and Washington County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

NR, § 10-405 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 193 Senator Reilly**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BELVOIR–SCOTT’S PLANTATION HISTORIC MANOR HOUSE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$125,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Magnum Enterprises, LTD. and the Board of Directors of the Rockbridge Academy, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Belvoir–Scott’s Plantation Historic Manor House in Anne Arundel County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 194 Senator Reilly**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBER – VOTING RIGHTS**

Providing that the student member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education may not vote on specified matters; and authorizing the board, by majority vote of the elected members, to determine whether a matter is subject to the exclusionary provision under the Act that forbids the student member from voting on specified matters.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

ED, § 3-110 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 195 Senator Glassman, et al**HARFORD COUNTY – CHARITABLE GAMING**

Creating in Harford County a permit to be issued by the Sheriff of Harford County that authorizes specified nonprofit organizations to conduct a gaming contest; specifying requirements that organizations must meet to be issued a permit; limiting to four the number of gaming contests an organization may hold in a year; stating the location and hours for conducting a gaming contest; specifying that the maximum bet a single individual may place on a game is \$10; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

CR, § 13-1512 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 196 Senator Jennings, et al**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – VOLUNTEER CANTEEN AND REHABILITATION PERSONNEL**

Altering the definition of “on duty” in the workers’ compensation law to include performing support or rehabilitation services, including supplying necessary food or fluids or providing relief from climatic conditions, for emergency responders during an emergency incident or a training exercise; and altering the definition of “volunteer company” to include a volunteer canteen, rehabilitation, or personnel support unit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

LE, § 9-234 - amended

Assigned to: Finance